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SECRET/CONTROL - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY REPORT COUNTRY East Germany 25X1 DATE DISTR. 18 May 1954 **SUBJECT** Shipping Observed in the Port Warnemuende NO. OF PAGES 2 RD DATE OF INFO. REQUIREMENT NO. 25X1 REFERENCES PLACE ACQUIRED 633089 This is UNEVALUATED Information THE SOURCE EVALUATIONS IN THIS REPORT ARE DEFINITIVE. THE APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE. (FOR KEY SEE REVERSE) 25X1 1. The following vessels were afloat in the shipyard: a. The Russian ship SOVIETSKI SOYUZ is completed and ready to sail. She is painted battleship grey. 25X1 Ex-German ship BERLIN², 12,870 tons, was flying the Soviet flag. Work on the construction of superstructures was in progress. c. An ex-German ship of about 16,000 tons flying the Soviet flag. The name was painted over. Work on the fixing of the deck was in progress; funnel(s) dismantled. d. Two Russian ships: ISSYK KUL and BAIKAL; names in Cyrillic characters. Both ships appered to be quite new, and painting was just being completed. They were of the class of river passenger boats: about 50 m. long, with low hulls, and one streamlined funnel. 25X1 five identical ships are under construction in the ship-25X1 2. Some units were under construction on the slips, but their type could not 25X1 be identified

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	a freighter of 3,500-4,000 tons	2
	with a name in Cyrillic character	2
er	left the port, probably on a trial trip. silhouette resembled that of the Polish S.S. OLSZTYN.	
٦,	to Warnemuende at the end of 1953,	
	the following changes:	
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•	Customs formalities are performed exclusively by German customs officials.	
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•	Shore passes are now issued by the German authorities and not, as on former occasions, by the Soviet authorities. The passes are now valid until 0600 hours and not, as formerly, until 2300 hours.	
•	Members of the crew are entitled to carry 100 cigarettes. Each packet is stamped by German customs officials, who warn seamen of the penalties for selling cigarettes to third persons. Neverthe-	
	less, seamen sell 20 American cigarettes for 3.50 to 4 eastmarks.	
	Hardly any Russian troops were seen in the town of Warnemuende.	
	only one lieutenant with black piping on his shoulder-	
٠	boards, three soldiers with raspberry-colored shoulderboards, and several Russian naval enlisted men.	
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	Comment: The BERLIN is now known as the ADMIRAL NAKHIMOV;	

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